## **TROUT**

Total value of trout and trout eggs sold in Washington state was \$9.2 million for 2003. Trout producers in Washington state had a total value of fish sold of \$5.2 million during the 12-month period from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003. This was a decrease of 5 percent from \$9.7 million in total value of fish sold in 2002. Producers had a total value for distributed fish of \$4.1 million in 2003.

Effective in 1999, the September 1 through August 31 reference period for annual trout estimates was replaced with a January 1 through December 31 reference period. National Agriculture Statistical Service under USDA published annual trout estimates on February 28, 2003. This report is available on the Washington home page: <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/wa">www.nass.usda.gov/wa</a>

Washington lead the nation in trout egg production. Washington trout producers sold 253 million eggs, 96 percent of the United States total production of 264 million eggs. This was down 12 percent from the 2002 estimate of 287 million eggs in Washington. The total value of eggs sold was \$4.0 million, down 7 percent from the 2002 value of \$4.3 million in trout egg sales. The average value per 1,000 eggs was \$16.00, up \$1.00 from 2002.

Foodsize trout sales in Washington State totaled 4.7 million liveweight pounds during 2003, up 2 percent from the previous year's total of 4.6 million pounds. The value of

sales of foodsize trout for the 2003 marketing year was \$4.4 million, down 2 percent from last year's foodsize sales of \$4.5 million. This put the average value per pound of fish sold at \$.94, down from \$.99 in 2002. The number of foodsize trout distributed in 2003 totaled 85,000 fish worth \$385,000. Total pounds of distributed foodsize trout was 110,000 pounds worth \$3.50 per pound.

Stocker trout sales in Washington state totaled 550 thousand fish during the 2003 marketing year. Total liveweight sold was 170,000 pounds for a total of \$386,000 in sales, worth \$2.27 per pound. The number of stocker fish distributed in 2003 totaled 3.6 million fish worth \$3.3 million. The total 930,000 pounds of distributed stocker trout were worth \$3.50 per pound.

Sales of fingerlings in 2003 in Washington totaled 1.3 million fish at 45,000 pounds. The average price per 1,000 fish in 2003 was \$298.00. The number of fingerlings distributed during 2003 was 17.8 million fish worth a total \$502,000, or \$28.20 per 1,000 fish. Total pounds of distributed fingerling trout was 144,000 pounds.

Washington producers lost 163,000 fish, or 425,000 pounds of fish, intended for sale in 2003. Disease, theft, chemicals, flood, drought, and predators were common causes of fish loss for Washington producers.

Trout: Number of Operations, January 1, 2002-2003

State	Selling Trout		Distribute	d Trout 1/	Total 2/		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	
Idaho	28	26	24	27	52	53	
Oregon	21	17	30	24	51	41	
Washington	15	15	48	37	59	51	
U. S. Total	378	331	258	242	606	545	

<sup>1/</sup> Fish distributed for restoration or conservation purposes primarily by State and Federal hatcheries.

## Trout: Value of Fish Sold and Distributed, 2002-2003

State -	Fish Sold		Eggs Sold		Total Sales 1/		Distributed Trout 2/3/		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	
	1,000 Dollars								
Idaho	30,456	29,407	NA	NA	NA	NA	3,949	3,234	
Oregon	801	506	NA	NA	NA	NA	4,861	2,332	
Washington	5,385	5,191	4,305	4,048	9,690	9,239	5,081	4,142	
U. S. Total	69,935	66,431	4,446	4,176	74,381	70,607	60,332	61,182	

<sup>1/</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Fish distributed for restoration or conservation purposes primarily by State and Federal hatcheries.

<sup>2/</sup> Totals may not be the sum of the types of operations.

<sup>3/</sup> Distributed trout U.S. totals include eggs sold.

Trout: Sales, Number, Weight, and Value, Washington, 1999-2003

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Type and Year	Number of Fish	Total Pounds Total Value SoldLiveweight of Sales		Average Value Per Pound 4/			
	1,000	1,000	1,000 Dollars	Dollars			
FOODSIZE 1/							
1999	313	872	1,718	1.97			
2000	560	2,100	2,331	1.11			
2001	480	2,590	2,590	1.00			
2002	650	4,550	4,505	0.99			
2003	870	4,700	4,418	0.94			
STOCKERS 2/							
1999	1,380	278	678	2.44			
2000	640	155	450	2.90			
2001	1,370	275	729	2.65			
2002	670	200	492	2.46			
2003	550	170	386	2.27			
FINGERLINGS 3/							
1999	430	9.0	70	162.00			
2000	1,060	52.0	252	238.00			
2001	940	16.0	197	210.00			
2002	1,630	39.0	388	238.00			
2003	1,300	45.0	387	298.00			

<sup>\*</sup> Not published due to disclosure problems. 1/ Foodsize fish are defined as being 12 inches long or longer. 2/ Stockers are defined as being from 6 to 12 inches in length. 3/ Fingerlings are defined as being from 2 to 6 inches in length. 4/ Fingerling average values are per 1,000 fish.

Trout: Percent Sold By Outlet Type, Washington, 1999-2003

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Type and Year	Live Haulers	Fee/Rec. Fishing	Other Producers	Govern- ment	Direct to Consumer	Processors	Restaurant & Retail 1/	Other	
		Percent							
FOODSIZE 2/									
1999	*	5	*	3	*	*	-	*	
2000	*	9	*	*	*	83	-	1	
2001	5	4	*	*	1	86	-	*	
2002	1	3	*	*	-	91	-	*	
2003	*	5	*	3		89		*	
STOCKERS 3/									
1999	*	30	*	*	*	*	-	-	
2000	*	77	*	*	*	-	-	*	
2001	14	59	*	*	1	-	*	*	
2002	*	49	*	*	2	-	-	*	
2003	*	58	*	*		-		23	

1/Excludes distributed fish. 2/ Foodsize fish are defined as being 12 inches long or longer. 3/ Stockers are defined as being from 6 to 12 inches in length. \* Not published to prevent disclosure of individual operations.